

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 25 Jun 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 26 Jun 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 24 Jun 2023 at 15:04 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a marked change from warm, humid conditions on Sunday with thundery shower potential, to much fresher weather later on Sunday and Monday with lighter showers.

Headline for Sunday 25 Jun 2023: Showery rain spreading east during morning. Windy on tops. Drier, brighter, fresher weather following eastwards in afternoon with winds easing.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 25 Jun 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Heavy Rain	Heavy rain showers	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	20%	10%	50%	30%	20%	20%

Forecast for Sunday 25 Jun 2023

Weather: Staying dry during the night and at first on Sunday. A band of showery rain will edge eastwards to all ranges during the morning. Rain will be locally heavy and possibly thundery. Drier, brighter fresher weather will follow in the evening with scattered lighter showers developing.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% reducing 30% during the morning, improving 70% again in the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility with occasional cloud cover about 700 to 800m, the main cloud canopy above many of the summits. Visibility will become poor in showery rain during the morning improving good again in the afternoon. Clouds becoming extensive for a time around 600m.

Forecast for Sunday 25 Jun 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	32/39 SE	38/47 S	38/47 SE	41/53 S	31/40 SW	17/24 W	16/22 SW	15/21 SW	17/23 SW
900	28/35 SE	34/42 S	33/42 SE	40/51 S	29/39 SW	17/24 W	16/22 SW	14/20 SW	16/22 SW
600	18/26 SE	21/30 S	22/31 SE	29/41 S	22/31 SW	13/20 SW	13/20 SW	11/16 SW	10/17 SW
300	3/27 SE	4/33 S	6/35 SE	13/42 S	9/30 SW	7/20 W	7/19 SW	4/15 SW	3/16 SW
Glen	12/29 SE	13/32 SE	15/33 SE	18/36 S	13/25 SW	10/18 W	10/17 W	6/13 SW	5/13 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	12/7	11/6	11/6	12/7	9/4	8/4	8/4	6/2	5/1
900	12/8	11/7	12/7	13/7	10/5	9/5	9/5	7/4	6/2
600	15/12	14/10	15/11	15/10	12/8	11/9	11/9	10/7	8/6
300	17/17	16/15	17/17	18/15	14/13	14/13	14/13	12/12	10/10
Glen	19/17	18/15	19/16	20/16	16/14	17/15	16/15	14/14	13/12
Freezing Level*	3000m	2400m	2400m	2800m	2500m	2100m	1900m	1700m	1600m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Difficult walking conditions in morning on higher ridges, summits with gale force winds and showery rain developing. Marked improvement in afternoon with winds easing, showers clearing but it will turn cooler.

Forecast for Monday 26 Jun 2023

Weather: Sunny spells with scattered showers breaking out. The odd heavier shower is likely in the afternoon, then showers dying away during evening.

Maximum wind: West becoming Southwest winds, average speeds 20 to 25mph with gusts 35mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Generally very good visibility with patchy cloud cover about 700 to 800m. Brief reductions to poorer visibility as showers pass by with clouds briefly more extensive above about 600m.

Temperature: **Glens:** 9 Celsius rising to 18 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.